

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

ELIGIBILITY

Each applicant for a service academy nomination must meet the following eligibility requirements as of July 1 of the year of admission to an academy:

Age: At least 17 years old, but not yet 23 years old (age 25 for the Merchant Marine Academy.)
Citizenship: Must be a U.S. citizen and a permanent resident of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
Marital Status: Unmarried, not pregnant, and have no legal obligation to support children or other dependents.

Please do not send your application materials to any office other than Harrisburg. Failure to do so could result in processing delays and missed deadlines.

Harrisburg Office Address

**U.S. Senator Robert P. Casey, Jr.
22 South Third Street, Sixth Floor
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17101
Attention: Service Academy Selection Panel**

You should begin the application process as soon as possible by contacting the service academy of your choice.

U.S. Military Academy

USMA Admissions
Building 606
West Point, NY 10996
(845) 938-4041
www.usma.edu

U.S. Naval Academy

Candidate Guidance Office
United States Naval Academy
117 Decatur Road
Annapolis, MD 21402-5018
(410)-293-4361
www.usna.edu

U.S. Air Force Academy

HQ USAFA/RRS
2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 200
USAF Academy, CO 80840
(800) 443-9266
www.usafa.edu

U.S. Merchant Marine Academy

Director of Admissions
U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
300 Steamboat Road
Kings Point, NY 11024-1699
(800)-732-6267
www.usmma.edu

U.S. Coast Guard Academy (Congressional nominations not required)

Director of Admissions
U.S. Coast Guard Academy
31 Mohegan Avenue
New London, CT 06320-8103
(860) 444-8500
www.cga.edu

Dear Service Academy Applicant:

Thank you for contacting my office about the application process for a congressional nomination to one of the United States service academies. These academies offer qualified applicants a unique opportunity to obtain a first-rate college education and a chance to serve our country as a commissioned officer in the United States military.

Although each member of Congress is allotted a limited number of nominations to the service academies; a congressional nomination does not guarantee an appointment or an offer of admission. The President of the United States officially makes all appointments to the service academies.

To begin the nomination process, you should first apply directly to the service academy you wish to attend (i.e. the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, the U.S. Naval Academy, the U.S. Air Force Academy or the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy). You should then apply for all of the nominations for which you may be eligible including, but not limited to, your elected representatives in Congress and the Vice President of the United States.

In order to be considered for a congressional nomination, you must submit all application materials AS ONE COMPLETE PACKET in a single mailing or fax. This packet must include:

1. An application form (available at www.casey.senate.gov).
2. An essay – approximately 500 typed words explaining why you are seeking a congressional nomination and why you want to attend a particular armed forces service academy.
3. A recent photo.
4. An official, sealed transcript for all high schools, junior colleges and colleges you have attended. (All high school transcripts must include final junior year grades.)
5. Official SAT I or ACT scores. If these scores are not on your official academic transcript, please arrange to have them submitted directly to my Harrisburg Office no later than October 5, 2007. (Our SAT I Score Code is 5042. Our ACT Score Code is 7176.)
6. Three letters of recommendation from individuals who know you well. One of these letters must be from a mathematics or science teacher; none can be from a family member.

When you have assembled the COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKET, please send it certified mail to:

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or fax it to 717-231-7542.

All applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. on October 5, 2007.
Applications received after this date will not be considered.

Once your application packet is received by my Harrisburg Office, my Service Academy Selection Panel will thoroughly review it and consider you for an interview.

Interviews are tentatively scheduled for November 14-16, 2007, in Harrisburg. If you are selected for an interview, you will be notified by mail of the exact time and location during the week of November 5, 2007. If you do not receive written notice of an interview by November 9, 2007, please contact my Harrisburg Office at 717-231-7540.

The congressional nomination process is very competitive and one that my Service Academy Selection Panel and I take very seriously. Please understand that if you do not receive a nomination from my office it does not necessarily mean you do not meet academy standards. Rather, it likely reflects the high caliber of candidates who applied for a very limited number of nominations.

I commend you on your desire to serve our nation as an officer in the United States Armed Forces, and I wish you every success in your pursuit of an appointment to a service academy. If you have any questions regarding the application packet or the selection process, please call my Harrisburg Office at 717-231-7540.

Sincerely,

Robert P. Casey, Jr.
United States Senator

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Service Academy Nomination Application
Class of 2012

Application Packet Checklist

<input type="checkbox"/> Application Form	<input type="checkbox"/> Official High School and/or College Transcripts
<input type="checkbox"/> Essay	<input type="checkbox"/> SAT I and/or ACT Scores <i>(copy of original scores or scores included on official school transcript)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Recent Photo	
<input type="checkbox"/> Three Letters of Recommendation	

Check order of academy preference (1st choice, 2nd, 3rd and 4th)

Military_____ Naval_____ Air Force_____ Merchant Marine_____

(Note: Please do not indicate a 2nd, 3rd, or 4th, choice if you have no genuine interest in such alternative.)

Have you requested that a pre-candidate file be initiated for you at any of the academies? If so, which one(s)?

_____ (Last Name)	_____ (First Name)	_____ (Middle Name)
_____ (Home Telephone Number)	_____ (Date of Birth) <i>(mm/dd/year)</i>	_____ (Social Security#)_____ - _____ - _____

(Legal Pennsylvania Mailing Address) *All applicants must list their legal Pennsylvania address in this section. If you are in the military, or are temporarily residing out-of-state, please list that address under the "Temporary Mailing Address" section.*

_____ (City)	_____ (State)	_____ (Zip Code)	_____ (County)
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(Temporary Mailing Address)

_____ (City)	_____ (State)	_____ (Zip Code)
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Applicant's Name

(Name of High School)

(High School Telephone Number)

(High School Address)

(High School Graduation Date)

Applicants must graduate by June 2007 and they must not have reached their 23rd birthday by their Academy entry date.

(College) (if applicable)

(College Address)

(College Graduation Year)

I have also applied to the following sources for an Academy nomination:

_____ **Senator Arlen Specter**

_____ **U.S. Representative** _____
(name of member)

_____ **President of the United States**

_____ **Vice President of the United States**

_____ **ROTC/JROTC**

In seeking this nomination, I affirm my intention to make the indicated service my career. I authorize investigation of all statements contained in this application. I understand that misrepresentation and/or omission of facts are sufficient cause for disqualification of my candidacy.

Approved: _____ **Date:** _____
(Parent or Guardian)

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____
(Applicant)

Applicant's Name

INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORTS

Sport	Number of years	Captain	MVP	Member	Varsity Letter			
					Fr.	So.	Jr.	Sr.

SCHOOL CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Organization	Number of years	Officer	Member

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Organization	Number of years	Officer	Member

HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS

Organization	Number of years	Office Held

Applicant’s Name

AWARDS/HONORS/RECOGNITIONS

Awards/Honor	Presenter/Organization	Year(s)			
		Fr.	So.	Jr.	Sr.

(Work Experience)

(Scouting Experience)

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To Be Completed by School Official

Please complete this form even though the information may already be on the applicant's transcript.

Applicant's Name

Academic Record

(Name of High School)

(Name of School Official and Title)

Cumulative Grade Point Average: _____

Cumulative Class Rank: _____ **(Rank/Total)**

Test Scores

SAT I and/or ACT scores are acceptable.

Please list the scores for each test taken.

DATE				
CRITICAL READING				
MATH				
WRITING				
TOTAL				

Highest SAT I and/or ACT Scores:

Critical Reading_____

Math_____

Writing_____

(School Official's Signature)

Date:_____

Please forward all material to:

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OFFICE OF UNITED STATES SENATOR ROBERT P. CASEY, JR. .
SERVICE ACADEMY NOMINATIONS TIMETABLE
Class of 2012

March 26, 2007	Applications available
March 26 – October 4, 2007	Application materials accepted in Harrisburg Office
October 5, 2007	<u>Deadline – All application materials must be received in Harrisburg Office</u>
November 6 – 8, 2007	Candidates selected for interview are notified in writing
November 14, 15, 16, 2007	Tentative dates for candidates interviews – location to be determined
Week of December 10, 2007	Nominations announced

2007 TEST DATES

SAT I (CODE 5042)

May 5, 2007

June 2, 2007

***October 6, 2007**

****November 3, 2007**

****December 1, 2007**

ACT (Code 7176)

April 14, 2007

April 15, 2007

June 9, 2007

September 15, 2007

***October 27, 2007**

****December 8, 2007**

***Students taking tests on these dates are requested to select the expedited scoring option so those scores can be included in your formal application packet. The Service Academy Selection Panel will consider all test scores and other information until November 2, 2007.**

****Scores from these dates will be too late to be considered by the Selection Panel.**